status to Kendriya Sanskrit Vidyapeeths located at Delhi and Tirupati; and

(b) if so, what is the decision taken by Government in this regard stating by when it is likely to come into force?

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT AND MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI P. V. NARASIMHA RAO): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Memorandum of Association of these Vidyapeethas have already been drawn up and steps are being taken to register them under the Societies Registration Act.

Grant of selection grade attendants of National Gallery of Modern Art, New Delhi

2935. SHRI SURAJ PRASAD: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government have promoted some of the attendants of the National Gallery of Modern Art, New Delhi to the selection grade;

(b) whether it has been decided in consultation with the Ministry of Finance to introduce the selection grade with retrospective effect i.e. 1st August, 1976;

(c) whether orders to the effect have been issued, if so, when; and

(d) if not, by when such orders are likely to be issued?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENTS OF EDUCATION AND CULTURE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI KRISHNA SAHI): (a) and (b). Yes, Sir.

(c) Yes, Sir. Orders were issued on 22nd May 1986.

(d) Does not arise.

Alive patients in the mortuary of Osamania General Hospital, Hyderabad

2936. SHRI M. S. GURUPADASWAMY: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government attention has been drawn to a news item which appeared in the Indian Express of 20th November, 1986 to the effect that some live patients were dumped into the mortuary at the Osmania General Hospital, Hyderabad;

(b) if so, what are the number of patients who died due to negligence on the the part of the Hospital authorities;

(c) whether any enquiry was conducted into the incidents; and

(d) if so, what action has been taken against those found guilty?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (KUMARI SAROJ KHAPARDE): (a) to (d) Information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the Sabha.

Loss suffered by Railways through unbooked luggage

2937. SHRI CHATURANAN MISHRA: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to the news item which appeared in the "Patriot' dated November 20, 1986 regarding the huge loss being suffered by Railways through unbooked luggage;

(b) if so, the details thereof and Government's reaction thereto;

(c) whether the connivance of the railway functionaries and the police officials is confirmed in this racket; and

(d) if so, what action has been taken against them?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MADHAVRAO SCINDIA): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) to (d) Railways are aware that unscrupulous traders do surreptitiously keep unbooked articles in coaches. To discourage such undesirable practice, the Ministry has increased the penalty on such unbooked items to six times the normal luggage rate. Frequent checks are also made on such trains. While cases of unbooked luggage have been detected on these trains,